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Honolulu City Council
Committee on Budget
9:00 A.M. July 22, 2015

Re: Support for Bill 50 – Collection and Disposal Charges

Chair Kobayashi, Vice Chair Manahan and members of the Committee:

I am testifying in support of Bill 50 – COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL CHARGES
(Supporting and promoting recycling activities.)

Leeward Auto Recycling, Inc. (LAR) has been one of Honolulu's largest automobile recyclers for the past 20 years. LAR has seen a positive impact on our island thanks to recycling efforts by the Honolulu City Council, Administration, Private Businesses and the Community.

LAR strongly believes the tip fee reduction is necessary to ensure continued recycling efforts in our community for the following reasons:

- Depreciated value in scrap metal
- Higher cost of operating a compliant solid waste / recycling facility
- Increased cost to properly dispose of hazardous material removed from automobiles

Many Honolulu residents enjoy operating newer automobiles. This is good for our environment. The newer automobiles are more fuel efficient and reduce emissions released into the atmosphere.

Generally for every new automobile purchased one must be disposed of. There are only a few of us small businesses who process and prepare discarded automobiles for recycling. Without the tip fee reduction we soon could be out of business as we simply can not afford to operate.

Sincerely,


Paul Perry
Leeward Auto Recycling, Inc.

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